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Financial situation of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Report of the Secretary-General

1. Pursuant to article 8, paragraph 6, of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (General Assembly resolution 2106 A (XX), annex), States parties "shall be responsible for the expenses of the members of the Committee while they are in performance of Committee duties".

2. At its forty-seventh session, the General Assembly adopted resolution 47/111 of 16 December 1992 in which it endorsed the amendment to article 8 of the Convention that had been adopted at the Fourteenth Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention in January 1992 (see annex I to the present report); and requested the Secretary-general to take the appropriate measures to provide for the financing of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination from the regular budget of the United Nations beginning with the budget for the biennium of 1994-1995 and to take the necessary measures to ensure that the Committee meet as scheduled until the amendment enters into force.

3. Acting in his capacity as depositary, the Secretary-General communicated the amendment to all States parties on 1 March 1993. It will be recalled that at their Fourteenth Meeting, the States parties decided that the amendment would enter into force when accepted by a two-thirds majority of States parties which had so notified the Secretary-General as depositary. As at 5 September 1995, notifications of acceptance had been received from 17 States parties to the Convention.

4. At its forty-ninth session, the General Assembly adopted resolution 49/145 of 23 December 1994 in which it urged States parties to accelerate their domestic ratification procedures with regard to the amendment concerning the

financing of the Committee; requested the Secretary-General to continue to ensure adequate financial arrangements and appropriate means to permit the functioning of the Committee; and requested him to invite those States parties which were in arrears to pay the amounts in arrears, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its fiftieth session.

5. In 1995, the Committee held two regular sessions as had been scheduled. In accordance with General Assembly resolution 47/111, financing for those sessions was provided from the regular budget of the United Nations. Consequently, no State party assessments were made in 1995. However, a number of States parties are still in arrears from the non-payment of previous assessments. As at 31 July 1995, the total outstanding arrears amounted to 232,725, as detailed in annex II to the present report.

Annex I

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION OPENED FOR SIGNATURE AT NEW YORK ON 7 MARCH 1966

Approval by the General Assembly of the United Nations of the proposed amendment to article 8

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, and with reference to depositary notification C.N.285.1991.TREATIES-4 of 20 December 1991, communicates the following:

It will be recalled that the States parties to the above-mentioned Convention, at the twenty-second meeting of the Fourteenth Meeting of the States Parties, held on 15 January 1992, decided as follows:

> "1. To replace paragraph 6 of article 8 of the Convention with the paragraph 'The Secretary-General of the United Nations shall provide the necessary staff and facilities for the effective performance of the functions of the Committee under the Convention.';
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> "2. To add a new paragraph, as article 8, paragraph 7, [as follows:] 'The members of the Committee established under the present Convention shall, with the approval of the General Assembly, receive emoluments from United Nations resources on such terms and conditions as the General Assembly may decide.';
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> "4. That the amendment shall enter into force when it has been approved by the General Assembly and accepted by a two-thirds majority of States parties which shall have so notified the Secretary-General as depositary;".

The General Assembly endorsed the amendment at its forty-seventh session (resolution 47/111 of 16 December 1992). In accordance with the above-quoted paragraph 4, it will enter into force when it is accepted by the required number of States parties which shall have so notified the Secretary-General.

1 March 1993

Annex II

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE STATES PARTIES FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION UNDER ARTICLE 8, PARAGRAPH 6 OF THE CONVENTION

Countries/Trust funds	Unpaid pledges as at 1 January 1994	Add: pledges for 1994-1995 and adjustments of prior pledges	Add: pledges for future years	Less: collections 1994 and 1995	Less: loss (gain) on exchange	Unpaid pledges as at 31 July 1995
Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination						
Afghanistan	2 225	-	-	-	-	2 225
Algeria	-	-	-	-	-	-
Antigua and Barbuda	-	-	-	-	-	-
Argentina	2 631	-	-	2 631	-	-
Australia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Austria	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bahamas	896	-	-	896	-	-
Bahrain	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bangladesh	1 753	-	-	-	-	1 753
Barbados	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belgium	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bolivia	1 239	-	-	-	-	1 239
Botswana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brazil	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bulgaria	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burkina Faso	7 507	-	-	-	-	7 507
Burundi	9 776	-	-	-	-	9 776
Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic	3 295	-	-	-	-	3 295
Cambodia	3 121	-	-	-	-	3 121
Cameroon	1 819	-	-	-	-	1 819
Canada	7 004	-	-	7 004	-	-
Cape Verde	8 039	-	-	-	-	8 039
Central African Republic	8 661	-	-	-	-	8 661
Chad	1 088	-	-	-	-	1 088
Chile	2 021	-	-	2 021	-	-
China	-	-	-	-	-	-
Colombia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congo	3 474	-	-	-	-	3 474

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Costa Rica	4 760	-	-	-	-	4 760
Côte d'Ivoire	490	-	-	-	-	490
Cuba	535	-	-	1 535	-	(1 000)
Cyprus	-	-	-	-	-	-
Czechoslovakia	(502)	-	-	-	-	(502)
Denmark	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dominican Republic	4 415	-	-	-	-	4 415
Ecuador	921	-	-	865	-	56
Egypt	-	-	-	-	-	-
El Salvador	8 039	-	-	-	-	8 039
Estonia	1 205	-	-	-	-	1 205
Ethiopia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fiji	1 239	-	-	1 239	-	-
Finland	10	-	-	10	-	-
France	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gabon	1 784	-	-	-	-	1 784
Gambia	8 708	-	-	-	-	8 708
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ghana	877	-	-	-	-	877
Greece	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guatemala	2 285	-	-	-	-	2 285
Guinea	1 781	-	-	-	-	1 781
Guyana	-	-	-	-	-	-
Haiti	2 627	-	-	-	-	2 627
Holy See	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hungary	-	-	-	-	-	-
Iceland	-	-	-	-	-	-
India	1 562	-	-	-	-	1 562
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	2 411	-	-	-	-	2 411
Iraq	-	-	-	-	-	-
Israel	3 269	-	-	3 269	-	-
Italy	(1)	-	-	-	-	(1)
Jamaica	1 239	-	-	1 239	-	-
Jordan	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kuwait	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lao People's Democratic Republic	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Latvia	1 322	-	-	-	-	1 322
Lebanon	5 699	-	-	4 460	-	1 239
Lesotho	2 225	-	-	2 225	-	-
Liberia	8 016	-	-	-	-	8 016
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	(1 094)	-	-	(4 460)	-	3 366
Luxembourg	(5 934)	-	-	(5 934)	-	-
Madagascar	1 779	-	-	-	-	1 779
Maldives	877	-	-	877	-	-
Mali	10 727	-	-	-	-	10 727
Malta	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mauritania	3 162	-	-	-	-	3 162
Mauritius	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mexico	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mongolia	1 753	-	-	-	-	1 753
Morocco	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mozambique	5 974	-	-	-	-	5 974
Nepal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Zealand	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nicaragua	3 121	-	-	-	-	3 121
Niger	3 627	-	-	-	-	3 627
Nigeria	3 150	-	-	3 150	-	-
Norway	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pakistan	975	-	-	760	-	215
Panama	2 018	-	-	2 018	-	-
Papua New Guinea	1 239	-	-	-	-	1 239
Peru	3 444	-	-	-	-	3 444
Philippines	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poland	15	-	-	15	-	-
Portugal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Qatar	-	-	-	-	-	-
Republic of Korea	-	-	-	-	-	-
Romania	-	-	-	-	-	-
Russian Federation	30 899	-	-	-	-	30 899
Rwanda	1 753	-	-	-	-	1 753
Saint Lucia	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Saint Vincent and Grenadines	7 514	-	-	-	-	7 514
Senegal	61	-	-	-	-	61
Seychelles	1 753	-	-	-	-	1 753
Sierra Leone	9 536	-	-	-	-	9 536
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Solomon Islands	3 121	-	-	-	-	3 121
Somalia	7 905	-	-	-	-	7 905
Spain	4 777	-	-	4 777	-	-
Sri Lanka	877	-	-	877	-	-
Sudan	4 387	-	-	-	-	4 387
Suriname	3 961	-	-	-	-	3 961
Swaziland	877	-	-	877	-	-
Sweden	-	-	-	-	-	-
Syrian Arab Republic	-	-	-	-	-	-
Togo	2 244	-	-	-	-	2 244
Tonga	1 675	-	-	-	-	1 675
Trinidad and Tobago	1 775	-	-	-	-	1 775
Tunisia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uganda	1 239	-	-	-	-	1 239
Ukraine	4 820	-	-	4 820	-	-
United Arab Emirates	-	-	-	-	-	-
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	-	-	-	-	-	-
United Republic of Tanzania	2 775	-	-	-	-	2775
Uruguay	936	-	-	-	-	936
Venezuela	1 788	-	-	-	-	1 788
Viet Nam	3 121	-	-	-	-	3 121
Yemen	1 801	-	-	-	-	1 801
Yugoslavia	2 557	-	-	-	-	2 557
Zaire	(1 168)	-	-	(2 000)	-	832
Zambia	(1 472)	-	-	-	-	(1 472)
Zimbabwe	2 086	-	-	-	-	2 086
Subtotal	265 896	-	-	33 171	-	232 725